# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# TEXTILES
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1449
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PURCHASE OF PRODUCTS OF WEAVERS YARN BANK BY GOVERNMENT
HARIBHAU MAHALE

**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to buy the products prepared by handloom weavers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government are contemplating to set up any cotton yarn bank for the products prepared by handloom weavers in the country, particularly in Maharashtra;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the manner in which the problems of financially weak weavers have been solved and the type of assistance provided/being provided to them by the Government ?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (d)The Association of Corporations and Apex Societies of Handlooms (ACASH) has been created by the Government for supplying handloom products to various Ministries/Departments and agencies of Government of India including Public Sector Undertakings under Single Tender System as per their requirement and availability from the handloom sector. There is at present no proposal with the Government of India to set up any Cotton Yarn Bank to buy products produced by Handloom weavers in the Country including Maharashtra.

(e) The Government of India through State Governments has been implementing various schemes and programmes for over all development of handloom sector and welfare of weavers. These include `Project Package Scheme, Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme, Thrift Fund Scheme, Group Insurance Scheme, Health Package Scheme, Freelance Designers Scheme, Expor Development Scheme, Decentralised Training Programme, supply of yarn at Mill Gate Price Scheme and Hank Yarn Obligation Scheme` etc.